
IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

FEBRUARY 26, 1891.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. BLAIR, from the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany H. R. 11857.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 11857) granting a pension to Collin McClelland, have examined the same and report:

The report of the House committee is adopted and the bill reported favorably.

HOUSE REPORT.

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 11857) granting a pension to Collin McClelland, have considered the same and beg leave to submit the following report:

The records of the War Department show that Collin McClelland enlisted June 27, 1818, at Greenbush, N. Y., in Company G, Second United States Infantry, and was discharged at Sacket's Harbor, N. Y., March 29, 1823. He reënlisted on the same day (March 29, 1823) in the same company and was discharged at Fort Howard, Mich., January 1, 1828, by reason of reënlistment. He reënlisted in the same company January 1, 1828, and was discharged at Fort Niagara, N. Y., September 7, 1829. On several muster rolls of the company Mr. McClelland is reported sick.

In his petition, which accompanies the bill, Mr. McClelland gives many incidents of his long service; much of the time he, with his company, was engaged in the Indian campaigns of that period, and in guarding the frontier towns from the attacks of the Indians. He states that now he is in the ninety-first year of his age, and that he has no means of support aside from his manual labor, and that he is dependent upon his relations.

J. W. Begole, George H. Durand, and a number of other citizens of Flint, Genesee County, Mich., petition Congress to grant the relief prayed for, and urge prompt action on account of the great age and needs of the applicant.

Mr. McClelland made application to the Pension Bureau August 10, 1889, basing his claim upon a disease of the right side; but owing to the long time that has elapsed since his service he is unable to furnish the testimony required of him to show origin in line of duty.

In view of the applicant's long and faithful service, and his great age and necessities, your committee respectfully recommend the passage of the bill.